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(U) CALIFORNIA**(U) Moreno Valley - Couple Accused of Manufacturing and Selling Assault Weapons from Home**

(U) Two suspects were arrested on 8 May and face 70 felony charges, including manufacturing assault weapons and possessing a short-barrel rifle and high-capacity magazines, according to the Riverside County District Attorney's Office. Authorities said the investigation began when an FBI task force received a tip about threats the couple made—the nature of the threats, and to whom they were directed, was not clear. Investigators also found evidence that led them to believe the two were operating as illegal gun dealers, although it is unclear who was buying the weapons. The assault weapons seized were unregistered and looked custom designed, authorities said.

SOURCE: 11 May 2018, [Los Angeles Times](#)

(U) Port Hueneme - Man Held in Probe of Southern California Heroin Deliveries

(U) The Ventura County Sheriff's Department said a driver was arrested on 10 May in Port Hueneme as he was walking to his car to begin deliveries of heroin. Search warrants were executed on the man's two cars and a residence, resulting in about 1,000 doses of heroin and drug profits. The investigation began earlier this year when detectives learned that a heroin delivery service named "The Boys" was operating in western Ventura County, and continues as investigators look-into the person—identified and operating in Mexico—who directed the criminal activity.

SOURCE: 11 May 2018, [Seattle Times](#)

(U) Sonoma - One Dead, One Arrested in Stabbing at Sonoma State University

(U) A "student-aged" man was stabbed to death inside a Sonoma State University (SSU) dorm last night, according to officials. SSU police officers were called to the Sauvignon Village residential community at 5:53 p.m. and when they arrived on-scene, officers discovered a male body and arrested the suspect. The Petaluma Police Department is assisting campus police in their investigation, and university officials would not say whether the victim or the suspect were enrolled at the university and declined to identify either the victim or suspect or provide any detailed information about the incident.

SOURCE: 13 May 2018, [Press Democrat](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER**(U) California - Driver Sentenced for Racing Through US Border Checkpoint, Injuring Agent**

(U) Pine Valley - A driver who blew through a US Border Patrol checkpoint, severely injuring an agent, was sentenced on Friday to 30 months in prison. The agent was struck by debris flying from the sign and, according to prosecutors, likened the blow to being "hit with a baseball bat." The suspect was allegedly transporting two illegal immigrants on the floor of his sedan when he crashed through the checkpoint and led other Border Patrol agents on a 100-mph chase, according to authorities.

SOURCE: 12 May 2018, [ABC News](#)

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UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**(U) NATIONAL****(U) Arizona - Fentanyl Ingredients for Mexico-based Drug Traffickers Found in Arizona**

(U) Tucson and Nogales - Ingredients to make 30 million doses of the highly-potent fentanyl were seized in Southern Arizona after being mailed from China, according to federal investigations. Fentanyl entering the United States from Mexico is a known problem, but investigators working in Tucson and Nogales seized enough ingredients to make more than \$600 million worth of the dangerous opioid that were on its way to Mexico. In fiscal year 2013, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) seized about two pounds of fentanyl nationwide. In fiscal year 2017, nearly 1,200 pounds of fentanyl were seized. Since 2016, fentanyl seizures jumped 159 percent, according to CBP.

SOURCE: 13 May 2018, [Arizona Daily Star](#)

(U) Utah - Teen Accused of ISIS-Inspired Bomb Plot at Utah School Appears in Court

(U) St. George - A teenager accused of bringing a bomb to his Utah high school and placing an ISIS flag at another school appeared at a preliminary hearing Friday. The teenager was quoted by court documents as telling police he wanted to see if he could get away with it. The explosive device had a fuse leading into a metal can, with gasoline in plastic bottles to act as fuel, and contained metal balls that authorities said could have been used to cause more damage or kill. The hearing was adjourned to a later date that has not yet been set.

SOURCE: 13 May 2018, [Fox News](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL**(U) France - ISIS Claims Responsibility for Multiple Stabbing in Opera District**

(U) Paris - The knife attack ISIS claimed responsibility for yesterday left at least one victim dead and four others injured. A statement released through the group's propaganda agency described the attacker as a "soldier of the Islamic State" and claimed the atrocity was in response to its calls to target countries bombing its territories in Syria and Iraq. A witness claimed the attacker was shouting "Allahu Akbar" and trying to get into restaurants as diners barricaded the doors. French authorities did not confirm ISIS involvement but said the attack was being investigated as terrorism.

SOURCE: 13 May 2018, [Independent](#)

(U) Indonesia - Family of Suicide Bombers Attack Three Churches, Killing Seven

(U) Surabaya - A husband and wife used their four children in a string of deadly suicide attacks on three churches in the Indonesian city of Surabaya that left seven people dead, according to the country's ranking police official. The family included two daughters, aged nine and 12 years old, who were present when their mother detonated one of the bombs, and the couple's two teenage sons carried out a separate attack on another church. Investigators believe the parents belonged to Jamaah Ansharut Daulah, a terrorist group that lends its support to ISIS in Indonesia.

SOURCE: 14 May 2018, [CNN](#)

(U) Indonesia - Family Carried Out Indonesia Police Bombing, Injuring Ten

(U) Surabaya - Indonesia's national police chief said this morning that the suicide bombing at police headquarters in Surabaya was carried out by members of one family, and that one of the family members—a girl of about 8 who was with two of the four attackers—was thrown by the blast and survived. Two motorbikes were used in the attack. Police have also said four officers and six civilians were wounded in the attack, which came a day after members of another family carried out suicide bombings at three churches in Indonesia, killing at least seven people.

SOURCE: 14 May 2018, [ABC News](#)

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**(U) Israel - Al-Qa'ida Chief Calls for Jihad on Eve of US Embassy Move to Jerusalem**

(U) Jerusalem - Ayman al-Zawahiri, the leader of al-Qa'ida, said yesterday that America's decision to shift its Israeli embassy to Jerusalem was evidence that negotiations and "appeasement" have failed Palestinians and he urged Muslims carry out jihad against the United States. Senior American officials have meanwhile insisted they could still push forward the troubled peace process despite outrage across the Arab world.

SOURCE: 14 May 2018, [Telegraph](#)

(U) Mexico - Third Local Candidate in Upcoming Election Killed in a Week

(U) Apaseo El Alto - Gunmen killed a mayoral candidate in central Guanajuato state Friday, the third local candidate in Mexico's 1 July elections murdered in the past week and one of more than a dozen during the entire campaign. Most of the candidates for mayorships or state assembly seats killed have been in the drug cartel-plagued southern state of Guerrero. Last Friday, a mayoral candidate in the city of Tenango del Aire, south of Mexico City, was killed, and a state assembly candidate was killed on Tuesday in Guerrero state.

SOURCE: 11 May 2018, [ABC News](#)

(U) Mexico - Two Cyclists Found Dead in Mexico Were Killed

(U) Chiapas - A pair of European cyclists who disappeared in southern Mexico last month and whose remains later turned up in a rural ravine were victims of an armed robbery and not an accident, a Mexican prosecutor said Friday. One cyclist was shot in the head and his companion likely died from a head wound caused by a beating. Mexico has seen a spike in murders and other crime that has almost exclusively victimized Mexican citizens and does not appear to have had a major effect on the nation's multi-billion-dollar tourism industry. Officials in Chiapas vowed to increase security along highways in the wake of the recent killings.

SOURCE: 11 May 2018, [Los Angeles Times](#)

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